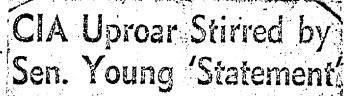
Sanitized - Ap<u>proved For Release</u> : CIA-R

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. TIMES

768,503. S. 1,094,990

OCT 2 1 1965



Exclusive to The Times from the New York Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON - The Young modified it considera-CIA and State Department bly.

Wednesday when a news claimed to be working for dispatch reported Sen. Ste-the CIA" in Victnam alleged phen M. Young (D-Ohio) as the intelligence agency had saying he had been told the hired some South Vietna Central Intelligence Agency mese to masquerade as Viet had committed atrocities in Cong, adding: Vietnam to discredit the Viet Cong.

But the 76-year-old senator two village leaders told the Herald Tribune raped some women." News Service, "I did not say that."

statement elicited an imme-indicated at one point he bediate denial from the usually lieved a group of the pursilent CIA — "absolutely committed the alleged atrocifalse," a spokesman protest-ties. ed-and deep anguish among State Department officials don't know, I don't believe who feared his reported re-such an incident occurred, marks would have disastrous but I could see how it could repercussions abroad.

Those reactions stemmed "CIA has employed some from a news agency dispatch South Vetnamese and they quoting Young as saying have been instructed to las' reputation for cruelty.

were thrown into an uproar He said a man who

"It was alleged to me that several of these executed

In a meandering elaboration of the remarks attribut-His earlier purported ed earlier to him, the senator

But he then added, "I still have occurred."

that a CIA agent in Vietnam claim they are Viet Cong and told him the CIA committed to work accordingly," the atrocities there to under-senator said, "but of course score the Viet Cong guerril-no one could tell me any American instructed anyone Asked about the report to perpetrate outra